

HR 4075

IDEA Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet. (Aug 28, 2019)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Stivers, Steve [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Jul 25, 2019
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 28, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2281	Identical bill	Jul 25, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S5110-5111)

Summary (as of Jul 25, 2019)

Inventor Diversity for Economic Advancement Act of 2019 or the IDEA Act

This bill directs the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to collect demographic information about each inventor listed on a patent application. Inventors shall not be required to provide the requested information, which shall include gender, ethnicity, national origin, sexual identity, veterans status, disability, and education and income levels. Such information shall be (1) kept confidential and separate from each patent application, and (2) periodically made public as aggregated data without personally identifying information.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 28, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.
- **Jul 25, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 25, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.